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In re PATENT APPLICATION of:	Confirmation Number: 4831
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Application No.: 10/803,201	Group Art Unit: 2882
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Title: FILTER FOR EXTREME ULTRAVIOLET LITHOGRAPHY	

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Applicant confirms with appreciation the receipt of the Notice of Allowability for this application.

In reply and traversal to the Examiner's reasons for allowance in this application, Applicant respectfully submits that the subject matter of the allowed claims are patentable for their respective recitations of claimed features as a whole, without any particular criticality or distinguishing feature being attributable to any one or more of such features, and without any narrowing interpretation being imposed on any of such features. As such, Applicant respectfully submits that no one element or limitation in particular should be deemed to impart to or be required for patentability of the claims.

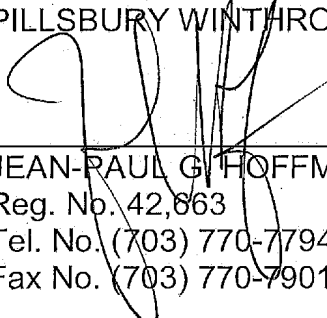
Furthermore, Applicant submits that the dependent claims are allowable for their dependence on the allowed independent claims and further for the additional subject matter recited in each of those dependent claims.

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